

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention provides cosmetic and dermatological preparation which contains an extract of plants of the genus *Adenanthera* and particularly seeds and hulled seed of the plants *Adenanthera pavonina*. The extracts are useful for inclusion in skin and hair treating preparations particularly for treating skin, scalp and hair for soothing irritations, preventative and treatment of skin aging, reducing inflammation and treatment of itching and flaking of the scalp.